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Kathy,

I spoke to Shannon yesterday. Unfortunately, we were in the wastewater team meetings from 10 AM to 5:15 PM and had no time to get back to you.

Shannon is positive that the Tribe (ie, me) can not submit draft tailored standards of any sort to EPA headquarters without the approval of the Tribal Council. Council has not had a look at our WQS in any shape or form. After going over your comments and re-working and Dave's comments, I will have to take that format to Council before the tailored standards go anywhere beyond your office. This is not possible by the April 10th deadline.

Then we also had a few questions we need answered/clarified, not the least of which is that if the USEPA has no plans to publish core standards before this fall, why is the Tribe being treated so disrespectfully of their governmental requirements as to the necessity of getting something to headquarters by April 10th (a deadline given us, along with your comments on our draft tailored standards last week).

1. When will core standards be published in the federal register or is there as yet no timeline?
2. Does the Tribe still have the option to pull out of the tailored option if we do not like what happens to them in public comment - assuming Region V will be granted the tailored option of Core promulgation.
3. Could we add our designated uses upon three-year review of core promulgated standards - or are core promulgated standards ineligible for review and change?
4. The state of Wisconsin has designated the Sloughs as ONRW (without consulting the Tribe but it does afford some protection - if the WI GLI standards are ever approved by the EPA), is this protection lost upon core promulgation if the Tribe does not get their designated uses through the tailored option?

I will be checking today for the comments you sent yesterday afternoon.
Please feel free to contact me about these or other questions.

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